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**EVENT: Guilty Plea**

**Defendant: Tyjuan Jackson**

**LASALLE BANK PERSONAL BANKER PLEADS GUILTY TO BANK FRAUD**

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A 28-year-old Inkster man who misappropriated bank customers' identity profiles, leading to at least \$38,747 in losses, pled guilty in federal court today, United States Attorney Stephen J. Murphy announced. Joining in the announcement was Special Agent in Charge Leo Wizniewski, U.S. Secret Service.

Tyjuan Jackson, a LaSalle Bank personal banker from December 2001 to February 2003 pled guilty to one felony count of bank fraud before United States District Judge Patrick J. Duggan. Jackson, who had been employed at LaSalle Bank's Taylor branch at 23700 Goddard Rd., confessed that he sold customer profiles and information, leading to the creation of false identification documents and counterfeit checks purporting to belong to actual bank customers. The defendant admitted that his identity theft led to customer losses of at least \$38,747.

The defendant was later employed at Fifth Third Bank's Dearborn branch, from June 2004 to February 2005, and at Bank One's Wayne Branch, from October to November 2005. The government contends that Jackson committed additional fraud at those institutions and that the total loss attributable to the defendant is \$178,985. The Court will determine the final loss

amount at sentencing.

United States Attorney Murphy said, "The use of innocent victims' identity information to obtain federally insured funds under false pretenses is not just felonious and wrong, it is often a red flag signaling other serious acts of criminality. Accordingly, while the amount of defendant Jackson's fraud in this case was relatively slight, the means to accomplish it were not. We will remain vigilant for cases of fraud involving the use of others' identities and we will prosecute all such cases to the fullest extent of the law. I commend the prosecution team for its fine efforts in this matter."

Bank embezzlement is punishable by a maximum sentence of 30 years imprisonment and a fine of up to \$1 million dollars. A plea agreement signed by the defendant calls for a term of imprisonment of up to 71 months and full restitution. No sentencing date has been scheduled.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Leonid Feller.